



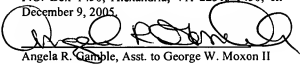
IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In the application of )  
Mark Simakaski et al. )  
Serial No. 10/965,515 )  
Filed October 14, 2004 )  
For CHOPPING PUMP )  
IMPELLER ASSEMBLY )

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**RESPONSE**

MAIL STOP AMENDMENT  
Commissioner for Patents  
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Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated September 9, 2005, the Applicants, through their attorney, respond as follows.

**In the specification:**

Page 1, line 2, delete "Pentair, Inc."

Line 3, delete "TITLE OF THE INVENTION"

Page 7, line 8, --by--should be inserted after "chopped"

Line 20, "37" should be changed to --35--

Line 25, "37" should be changed to --35--.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 11 of this paper.